

SOURCES SOUGHT / REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) (Revised 3/10/15)

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Title: **Office of Environmental Management Los Alamos Legacy Cleanup Completion Project (LCCP) – Post Fiscal Year 2016 Contract(s) Acquisition Planning**

THIS IS A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) ONLY. No solicitation is available. This RFI is released pursuant to FAR Part 15.201(e), Exchanges with Industry, and is issued for the purpose of conducting market research.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Environmental Management (EM) is currently in the acquisition planning phase for potential upcoming competitive procurement(s) for legacy cleanup projects at the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) hereafter referred to as “Los Alamos Legacy Cleanup Completion Project (LCCP) – Post Fiscal Year 2016 Contract(s).” Since its inception in 1943 as part of the Manhattan Project, LANL’s primary mission has been nuclear weapons research and development. The LANL EM Program mission is to safely secure and to achieve cleanup and risk reduction of legacy material, facilities, and waste sites at LANL in support of DOE’s Strategic Plan to safely complete the environmental remediation of legacy and active sites while protecting human health and the environment. Since October 1, 1988, the programs that characterize and remediate contaminants in the environment, decontaminate and decommission (D&D) process-contaminated facilities, and manage and dispose of legacy transuranic (TRU) waste have been funded by DOE EM.

As previously announced, it is DOE-EM’s intent to enter into a separate, non-competitive Los Alamos LCCP Bridge Contract with Los Alamos National Security (LANS), LLC (the current operating contractor at LANL) in March 2015 to continue activities in support of the legacy cleanup projects for a 12-24 month period, inclusive of options. The Bridge Contract is an interim action to enable the continuation of the legacy cleanup activities and to allow EM the reasonable time to competitively procure a performance-based, incentive contract(s) for the Los Alamos LCCP Post Fiscal Year 2016 requirements. LANS will begin to transition the remaining work after the award of the competitive contract(s) to the successor contractor(s) and work on the Bridge Contract will end after the required contract transition(s) are complete.

Also, as previously announced on February 19, 2015, as a Special Notice to the Federal Business Opportunities (FBO) website, the DOE plans to conduct an Industry Day on Tuesday, March 3, 2015, in support of the upcoming competitive procurement(s) for the Los Alamos LCCP Post FY16:

<https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=803a2499461688a36f55dc9fd0cffc38&tab=core&cvview=1>

As noted in the above mentioned Special Notice, the DOE EM Consolidated Business Center (CBC) has created a procurement website where additional information is provided which may be viewed at: <https://www.emcbc.doe.gov/SEB/LANLPostFY16>

The purpose of this RFI is to solicit input from interested parties with the specialized capabilities necessary to meet all or part of the requirements of the elements of scope for the upcoming competitive procurement(s) for legacy cleanup projects at LANL. Information that will be provided at the Industry Day on March 3, 2015, and on the EMCBC website is provided to assist industry with the preparation of contractors' capability statements. The information on the EMCBC website will be updated as it becomes available; therefore, contractors should monitor the EMCBC website for additional information. Within these capability statements, DOE is seeking feedback from contractors and other interested parties regarding options for innovative approaches for the performance of scope elements as well as insight into potential contracting alternatives to achieve the EM goals for the legacy cleanup projects at LANL.

Due to the preliminary stage of this planning activity, there is no Performance Work Statement available at this time. The anticipated number of procurements, types of contracts, periods of performance, amount of funding, or set aside possibilities are to be determined. The major elements of scope include, but are not limited to:

- Conduct compliant environmental restoration activities including characterization and remediation in accordance with regulatory and enforceable agreements, requirements and milestones;
- Complete legacy waste disposition including cooperation and coordination with the Carlsbad Field Office for transuranic waste activities, including the activities required by the NMED Administrative Order of May 19, 2014, regarding the isolation and treatment of nitrate salt bearing transuranic wastes;
- Decontaminate and decommission facilities and infrastructure;
- Coordinate and implement waste minimization and pollution prevention initiatives;
- Implement an Environmental Management System under Integrated Safety Management;
- Commission and manage the necessary waste management facilities and equipment to ensure uninterrupted waste management operations; and
- Facilitate the remediation and conveyance of Land Transfer parcels pursuant to applicable law.

DOE is also seeking interested parties with specialized capabilities necessary to successfully perform all or a portion of the elements of scope defined above to further determine whether or not all or a portion of the work can be set-aside for small businesses, 8(a), Economically Disadvantaged Women-owned Small Businesses (EDWOSB), women-owned small businesses, HUBZone small businesses, veteran-owned small businesses, or service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS NOT A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) AND SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED AS A COMMITMENT BY THE GOVERNMENT TO AWARD A CONTRACT.

Capability Statements should include the following information as appropriate and applicable:

- 1) Describe your ability and approach to meeting all or a portion of the requirements for the specific elements of scope, including innovative approaches for the division or aggregation of scope elements as well as insight into contracting alternatives (number of procurement(s), types of contract(s), periods of performance, set aside possibilities, etc.) to achieve the EM goals for the legacy cleanup projects at LANL.
- 2) Identify any performance challenges and risks in meeting the requirements discussed in the elements of scope. Identify how your organization would minimize any risks such that there is reasonable assurance of successful performance. Also identify how a specific division and/or aggregation of scope element(s) or potential contracting alternatives could be utilized to minimize such risks.
- 3) Identify potential areas within any element of scope that may be appropriate for a fixed price contract structure along with any associated pricing challenges and risks. Provide specific feedback for type of information required from DOE to support development of a fixed price proposal for any elements of scope.
- 4) Describe your experience in a complex regulatory environment in respect to problem-solving, working with various stakeholders, tribal governments, Citizens Advisory Boards, and regulatory agencies at the state and federal level.
- 5) Discuss your experience as a DOE Prime contractor. Include a description of the work scope, contract value, contract type, period of performance and lessons learned.
- 6) This work will be conducted throughout multiple complexes and facilities within LANL and will require interface with the Management and Operating (M&O) contractor, as well as potentially other contractors on site at LANL. Discuss your experience regarding such interfaces. Providing examples of previous experience, describe your company or teaming arrangement's experience in managing and integrating all of the work similar to specific elements of scope included in your Capability Statement under a single contract. Also describe your experience in managing and integrating the work of subcontractors who would perform specialty functions or subcontractor employees working within the site's organizational matrix.
- 7) Discuss your experience in implementation of environmental, safety and health plans related to your (and any teaming partners) work on DOE sites with large industrial and nuclear facilities. This discussion should address your approach to addressing requirements under 10 CFR 830 and 10 CFR 835 related to Nuclear Safety, Quality, and Occupational Radiological Protection; 10 CFR 851 Worker Safety and Health; Work Control Program, DOE Order 414 and Integrated Safety Management System (ISMS).

- 8) Discuss your project management/project control system you would utilize for any resultant procurement supporting the EM legacy cleanup projects at LANL, including information on the project control system you currently utilize for your company and how it will be tailored for any resultant procurement.
- 9) The contractor may be required to participate in the multi- employer pension and welfare benefits plans for the existing workforce covered by such plans while performing the requirements of any resultant procurement supporting the EM goals for the legacy cleanup projects at LANL. Discuss your experience (or that of any teaming partners) in sponsoring employer pension and benefit plans at DOE sites.
- 10) Summary of Experience and Performance Record (past five years). Identify all DOE, other Government, or other commercial experience relevant to this RFI (include contract number, date, scope, duration, client, and contracting agency contact).

Small business teams or joint ventures shall identify the socio-economic status of each member and shall provide the capabilities of each member, as well as a description of the work that each member would perform under a contract, keeping in mind the requirements of FAR Clause 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting.

All interested parties are hereby invited to submit a capability statement of no more than twenty pages, no smaller than 12 point font, **and no more than 20 megabytes (MB) total for an electronic transmission to the procurement mailbox.** The Government will evaluate each capability statement based on the interested party's (and that of teaming partners when applicable) demonstrated qualifications, capabilities, expertise, experience and past performance in each of the scope areas specified to their area of expertise. Interested parties are requested to provide each firm's name, point of contact, phone number, address of firm, CAGE Code, and DUNS Number.

DOE reserves the right to use any and all information submitted by, or obtained from, an interested party in any manner DOE determines is appropriate, including, but not limited to, the creation of a competitive solicitation. An interested party should avoid including any classified, business confidential, and/or proprietary information in its response. However, if an interested party must submit such information, the information must be clearly marked, and sufficient justification provided as to why such information is business confidential and/or proprietary. DOE will review said information and safeguard it appropriately.

DOE may not respond to or post on the EMCBC website, any verbal or written questions or comments pertaining to this RFI package.

The Government will not reimburse preparation costs nor otherwise provide compensation for any information that is provided in response to this announcement. All capability statements shall be submitted electronically **(no more than 20MB)** to the following e-mail address: LANLPostFY16@emcbc.doe.gov, no later than 12:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Monday, March 30, 2015. Any questions pertaining to the announcement should also be directed to the

same e-mail address: LANLPostFY16@emcbc.doe.gov. DOE personnel may contact firms responding to this announcement to clarify a responder's capabilities and other matters as part of this market research process.